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REACTION TO US STATEMENT ON UN--

UNUSUAL INTEREST IN AMB SCALI'S STATEMENT ON "STRENGTHENING ROLE OF UN" IN GA HAS BEEN SHOWN BY UN DELS AND SECRETARIAT STAFF AT ALL LEVELS. PERHAPS MOST SIGNIFICANT REACTION WAS UNSCHEDULED SUSPENSION OF AFTERNOON MEETING ON INITIATIVE OF RAHAL (ALGERIA) BECAUSE "MAJORITY" NEEDED TIME TO PREPARE RESPONSE TO UNEXPECTED CRITICISM BY "MINORITY". AFTER STATEMENT, RAHAL SEEMED UPSET AND TOLD SCALI HE HAD BEEN "SURPRISED" AND WOULD HAVE TO REPLY TO "UNFAIR" STATEMENT. USYG MORESE SAID SPEECH STARTED CRITICAL DEBATE ON FUTURE OF UN, WHICH OVERDUE, JOLTED GA, AND PROMISED TO PRODUCE SEVERAL DAYS OF NEW DEBATE. DELS SHARING SOME OR ALL OF US CONCERNS, INCLUDING ISRAEL, UK FRANCE, DENMARK, FRG, NORWAY MADE COMMENTS RANGING FROM "MAGNIFICENT" TO "IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION" TO "MUST HAVE REQUIRED GUTS TO GIVE".

IT IS NOTEWORTHY THAT IN DEBATE POSITIONS MORE OR LESS SUPPORTIVE OF US WERE TAKEN BY SPEAKERS REPRESENTING COUNTRIES CONTRIBUTING WITH US WELL OVER HALF OF UN-ASSESSED BUDGET: MEMBERS EC-9 AND SWEDEN. BY COINCIDENCE, ONLY SOME FOUR HOURS AFTER SCALI(S STATEMENT, COMITE 2 PASSED MEXICAN-SPONSORED CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES BY OVERWHELMING MAJORITY (115-6-10) WITH VIRTUALLY NONE OF MAJOR INDUSTRIALIZED STATES VOTING YES. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE --OURTEL 5809)

CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES (CERDS)--

FRENCH REPORTED THAT INDIANS TOLD THEM VAST MAJORITY
OF G-77 ACTUALLY FAVORED FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR POSTPONING CERDS
TO 1975 BUT LACKED COURAGE TO VOTE THEIR CONVICTIONS IN
VIEW OF BITTERNESS OF MEXICAN OPPOSITION TO CONTINUATION OF
NEGOTIATIONS TO 1975. SOVIETS THANKS USDEL FOR VOTING YES ON
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"PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE" LANGUAGE AND SAID THAT THIS POSITIVE STEP WOULD BE APPRECIATIVELY REPORTED TO MOSCOW. (CONFIDENTIAL -- OUR TEL 5805)

KOREA AT 29TH GA--

GREEK REP CONFIRMED TO AMB BENNETT THAT HE HAS INSTRUCTIONS TO SUPPORT ROK POSITION AT GA "ALL THE WAY."

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NAMIBIA IN SECURITY COUNCIL -

AFRICAN GROUP DECIDED TO REQUEST "BRIEF"SC CONSIDERATION OF NAMIBIA DURING WEEK OF DEC. 9; HOWEVER, UNLESS SC CONSIDERS CYPRUS QUESTION BEFORE DEC. 13, COUNCIL MORE LIKELY TAKE UP NAMIBIA WEEK OF DEC. 16. IT IS UNCLEAR HOW MUCH OF SWAPO DRAFT WILL BE INCLUDED IN AFRICAN GROUP RES. FRENCH DISCLOSED QUAI POINTED OUT PROBLEMS WITH SWAPO DRAFT CONCERNING: A) REFERENCES TO ICJ ADVISORY OPINION, B) RIGID TIMETABLE FOR SAG, AND C) AMBIGUOUS ROLE OF UN IN TRANSFER. (CONFIDENTIAL -- OURTELS 5792, 5803)

CHARTER REVIEW--

USDEL INFORMED SOVIETS, FRENCH AND BRITISH DELS
THAT USG WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO JOIN IN FOUR-POWER STATEMENT
OF REFUSAL TO PARTICIPATE IN AD HOC COMITE ON CHARTER REVIEW
IF ESTABLISHED BUT WOULD GIVE ADDITIONAL STRONG STATEMENT
OPPOSING NEW COMITE BEFORE ANY VOTES TAKEN. BRITISH
WERE IN FULL AGREEMENT; FRENCH ACCEPTED US POSITION AS
REASONABLE; AND SOVIETS WERE TROUBLED BUT NOT SURPRISED. VOTING
WAS DEFERRED UNTIL DEC. 9 BECAUSE OF EXTENDED DEBATES ON OTHER
ITEMS. (CONFIDENTIAL - OURTEL 5802)

SPANISH SAHARA--

AFRICAN GROUP AGAIN FAILED REACH AGREED POSITION ON SPANISH SAHARA AND REFRRED MATTER TO WORKING GROUP FOR FURTHER STUDY. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- OURTEL 5786) MOROCCAN FONMIN LARAKI EXPRESSED TO AMB SCALI GOM'S GRATITUDE AND SATISFACTION WITH US STATEMENT IN COMITE CONCERNING SAHARA. HE EMPHASIZED THAT CONFIDENTIAL

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MOROCCO'S INTEREST IN SAHARA WAS GEO-POLITICAL IN NATURE AND MOROCCO WISHED TO AVOID ANOTHER SOUTHEAST ASIAN SITUATION MATERIALIZING IN NORTHWEST AFRICA. MOROCCO'S INTEREST WAS NOT IN SAHARA'S PHOSPHATES, HE STATED. (CONFIDENTIAL --OURTEL 5775)

IVORY COAST AND KHMER VOTE--

IVORY COAST WAS ONE OF ONLY FIVE AFRICAN COUNTRIES TO SUPPORT BOTH PRIORITY AND SUBSTANCE FOR ASEAN RES ON KHMER, AND AFTER VOTING SEVERAL MEMBERS OF IVORIAN DEL SAID IVORY COAST VOTE WAS BASED ON HIGH PRINCIPLE THEREFORE THEY WERE MOST SATISFIED WITH SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION. (CONFIDENTIAL -- OURTEL 5787)

REPLACEMENT FOR SYG'S REP TO CCD --

SYG, IN ASKING AMB BENNETT FOR US VIEWS ON ALTERNATIVE POSSIBILITIES FOR REPLACING PASTINEN AS SYG'S SPECIAL REP TO CCD, MADE CLEAR HE FAVORS SWEDISH PROPOSAL THAT BJORNERSTEDT ASSUME SPECIAL REP'S RESPONSIBILITIES WHILE CONTINUING TO SERVE IN PSCA AS DIRECTOR OF DISARMAMENT AFFAIRS DIVISION, AND HE ARGUED IT WAS NOT FULL-TIME JOB REQUIRING SERVICES OF SENIOR OFFICIAL. LATER, BJORNERSTEDT EXPLAINED TO AMB SCHAUFELE WHY HE THOUGHT IT DESIRABLE TO COMBINE TWO POSTS, COMMENTING IT WAS HIS IDEA IN FIRST PLACE. (CONFIDENTIAL --TON ON GA SUBSIDIARY BODIES--

COMITE 5 WEO GROUP AGREED TO INSIST ON TRADITIONAL REPRESENTATION OF PERMANENT SC MEMBERS ON SUBSIDIARY BODIES OF UN AND ADEQUATE REPRESENTATION OF OTHER WEO'S. ALL WERE CONCERNED OVER CHALLENGE IN COMITE 5 AND IT WAS DECIDED THAT REPS OF US, UK AND FRANCE WOULD REQUEST THEIR AMBASSADORS TO CONSULT TO DEVELOP COMMON POSITION, AND WOULD THEN APPROACH SOVIETS AND CHINESE IN ENDEAVOR TO OBTAIN CONCURRENCE WITH VIEW TO MAKING COMMON APPROACH TO GA PRES. WEO'S AGREED THAT IF THREE ADDITIONAL SEATS COULD NOT BE OBTAINED THEY WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN COMITE ON CONFERENCES. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE --OURTEL 5778)

SAFRONCHUK (USSR) TOLD MISOFF HIS DEL WOULD "FIGHT TO BITTER CONFIDENTIAL

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END " TO RETAIN LONG-STANDING TRADITION IN UN THAT PERMANENT SC MEMBERS HAD CERTAIN INALIENABLE RIGHTS, ADDING MOSCOW SENT FIRM INSTRUCTIONS TO OPPOSE ANY SUCH EFFORTS. HE SAID SOVDEL WOULD WORK WITH US AND OTHER PERMANENT MEMBERS AND, IF NECESSARY, JOIN IN DEMARCHE TO GA PRES AND SYG. (CONFIDENTIAL - OURTEL 5794)

PROPOSED WORKING GROUP ON UN BUDGET MACHINERY--

DUTCH SUBMITTED TO COMITE 5 PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH
WORKING GROUP TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON BUDGET MACHINERY AND
EXPECT FRG, ITALY AND POSSIBLY BELGIUM TO COSPONSOR AND
ARE WAITING FOR REPLIES FROM SEVERAL LDC'S (E.G.,
KENYA, PAKISTAN, PHILIPPINES) RE POSSIBLE COSPONSORSHIP.
DEBATE SO FAR INDICATES FAIRLY BROAD SUPPORT FOR CONCEPT
OF WORKING GROUP, THOUGH UK AND CANADA IN WEO MEETING
INDICATED PREFERENCE FOR WG TO REPORT TO 31ST GA.
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